

COMMANDEERING OF PADDY

79. **Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon (Cheruthuruthi):** Will Government be pleased to state.—

if they are aware that paddy due to the Landlord is being commandeered from poor tenants, who subsequently have to purchase the same?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul (Director of Food Supplies): In the larger interests of the State, Government have a prior claim over the surplus paddy with the Jenmis. Therefore, in cases where the jenmies do not need their share of paddy from their tenants for their own requirements, it is purchased or commandeered as the case may be from their tenants for equitable distribution to the rationed population. Each individual of the rationed population has an equal claim on the surplus paddy available for purchase by Government.

COMMANDEERING OF PADDY—ALLOWANCE FOR SHRINKAGE

80. **Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon (Cheruthuruthi):** Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) the “ഒന്നക്കുവാൾ” that is claimed from tenants per para when paddy is commandeered;

(b) the period between which it is so claimed?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul (Director of Food Supplies):

(a) “Shrinkage” allowance for wet paddy or green paddy: 10 per cent.

(b) “Shortage” allowance for “Tailed” varieties of paddy: 25 per cent.

Vasi will be claimed whenever the paddy is not clean and well dried. No definite period is fixed.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Lock-out in the Alliance Industries, Trippunittura

Mr. President: I have considered the notice of a motion for the adjournment of the business of the House given by Mr. P. K. Dewar yesterday and I am of the opinion that this motion is in order. The notice reads as follows: “Under Rule 21 of the Legislative Council Rules for the adjournment of the business of the House to discuss a matter of urgent public importance to wit the illegal lock-out in the ‘Alliance Industries’, Trippunittura and the failure of the Government to take proper action against the management”.

I must now ask whether the Hon’ble Member has the leave of the Council to bring this motion.

Those Hon’ble Members who are in favour of this motion will please stand.

More than 20 Hon’ble Members have stood. The motion is admitted and the discussion will take place at 3-30 to-morrow afternoon.

DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS—(contd.)

42. 30-A-Civil Engineering—B. O.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (Chief Engineer): Sir, I rise to move for a supplementary grant of Rs. 14,000, under 30-A-Civil Engineering along with the construction of new buildings for Training College at Trichur improvement works to the existing High School buildings were found necessary. Though urgent works were executed to meet the demands of the College, certain improvement works could not be undertaken in 1120 for want of budget provision. The works proposed are (1) construction of dark room, (2) construction of two retiring rooms; (3) reconstructing northern boundary wall, (4) repairs to gallery and (5) wood oiling, painting, etc.

The cost of the works will come to Rs. 14,000. As there is no budget provision an additional allotment of Rs. 14,000 is necessary. I request the House may be pleased to grant this allotment.